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MEMORANDUM FOR MILPO's

SUBJECT: Exception to Policy of Combined Arms and Service Staff School Promotion Selection Criterion Requirement (NGB-ARH memo # 04-0045)

1. References:

- a. National Guard Regulation (NGR) 600-100, Dated 15 April 1994,
 Subject: Commissioned Officers Federal Recognition and Related Personnel Actions
- b. Army Regulation (AR) 135-155, Dated 14 July 2004, Subject: Promotion of Commissioned Officers and Warrant Officers Other Than General Officers
- 2. This memorandum waives the military education requirement of reference 1a for completion of the Combined Arms and Services Staff School (CAS3) as a selection criterion for promotion to the grade of major for unit vacancy promotions.
- 3. Reference 1b is the applicable regulation for the promotion of ARNG officers in all cases except unit vacancy promotions and does not require CAS3 for promotion to major. Therefore, completion of CAS3 is not a requirement for promotion to major for any National Guard officer unless the Adjutant General (TAG) makes it a command directed requirement.
- 4. This memorandum will remain in effect until this policy is written into regulation or superceded.
- 5. Point of contact for this action is MAJ Lemuel Clement, Chief, Personnel Regulation Branch, NGB-ARH-PR, DSN 327-3400 or 703-607-3400.

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